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"LIGHT, WHERE ARE YOU?"

"ARE YOU STILL SHINING SOMEWHERE?"

"IF SO, THEN WHY CAN'T I FEEL YOUR WARMTH ANYMORE? WHY IS DARKNESS WRAPPED AROUND ME LIKE A SUFFOCATING BLANKET?"

DON'T GIVE UP! NOT NOW! DEEP DOWN, YOU KNOW THAT DARKNESS **DOESN'T EXIST!**

DARKNESS IS AN ILLUSION! A TRICK! REALITY IS STILL RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU! GO ON, TRY TO TOUCH IT!

REACH OUT YOUR HANDS AND TOUCH MINE! THEN OPEN YOUR EYES! WHEN YOU DO, MY EYES WILL SHINE WITH JOY...

...BECAUSE YOU ARE **ELYON** AND I NEED YOU, LIKE A FLOWER YEARNS FOR THE SUN!

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WISE **YAN LIN!**

MY CHILD! IF I WERE TRULY WISE, I WOULDN'T BE HERE NOW!

I WOULD NEVER HAVE SET FOOT INSIDE THIS CRUEL CELL, WHICH IS DRAINING YOU OF ALL YOUR **VITAL ENERGY...**

...LOCKED UP IN THE MOST IMPENETRABLE PRISON OF ALL! THE **TOWER OF MISTS** IN KANDRAKAR!

HOW DID YOU MANAGE TO GET INSIDE? I THOUGHT ONLY THE **ORACLE** COULD COME IN HERE!

THE **KEEPER** OF THE TOWER CAN ALSO ENTER BY USING A SPECIAL **KEY!**

THIS ARMBAND!

BUT TO EXPLAIN WHAT HAS HAPPENED WHILE YOU'VE BEEN KEPT HERE IN OBLIVION, PERHAPS WE MUST GO BACK SOME TIME...

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"TO KANDRAKAR, IN THE COUNCIL HALL..."

I, **ENDARNO**, BOW DOWN BEFORE YOU IN GRATITUDE, ELDERS!

VAAL HAS JUST INFORMED ME OF YOUR DECISION! THAT I MAY SOON BATHE IN THE **FOUNTAIN OF TRANQUILITY**...

...AND THUS ASSUME **FULL POWERS** TO FINALLY BECOME YOUR **ORACLE**.

THIS NEWS BRINGS ME GREAT JOY, YET THERE IS A PROBLEM! THE TOWER OF MISTS, OF WHICH I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN **KEEPER**...

...NOW HAS VERY DANGEROUS **GUESTS**, INCLUDING **ELYON OF MERIDIAN**. IT MUST THEREFORE BE ASSIGNED A NEW PROTECTOR AT ONCE!

I URGE YOU ALL TO ELECT MY TRUSTED AND EXTREMELY CAPABLE VAAL!

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ACTUALLY, I DON'T BELIEVE THAT VAAL IS THE ONLY CANDIDATE!

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WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT, **TIBOR?**

THE ELECTION OF THE KEEPER WILL TAKE PLACE IMMEDIATELY BY APPOINTMENT OF THE ENTIRE COUNCIL, AS IT OUGHT...

...AND MANY OF ITS MEMBERS HAVE **ALREADY** PUT FORTH ANOTHER NAME! A NAME OF SOMEONE RESPECTED AND LOVED BY ALL!

OBVIOUSLY, I AM SPEAKING OF WISE ELDER **YAN LIN!**

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! I AM HONORED TO BE CONSIDERED!

I ALSO APOLOGIZE FOR MY ABSENCE! CERTAIN **COMMITMENTS** HAVE KEPT ME FAR FROM THESE HALLS, BUT REST ASSURED...

...I PROMISE YOU I WON'T DISAPPEAR **SO EASILY** AGAIN!

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...SO HERE I AM! AS YOU CAN SEE, THE ELECTION WAS A SUCCESS!

YOU DON'T THINK I'M **DANGEROUS**, LIKE ENDARNO SAYS?

I DON'T THINK THE **REAL** ENDARNO HAS EVER HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK HIS MIND ABOUT ANY OF THIS!

THEN YOU KNOW EVERYTHING?

UNFORTUNATELY, I DO! WHAT GRIEVES ME IS THE FACT THAT **I'VE ALWAYS SUSPECTED IT!**

IN ENDARNO'S BODY LURKS THE EVIL SOUL OF YOUR BROTHER **PHOBOS!**

AFTER I WAS ELECTED, I HAD CONFIRMATION OF IT! I SAW THE RAGE AND HATE IN ENDARNO'S EYES...

...LOOKING BEYOND THOSE EMOTIONS WITH MY HEART, IT WASN'T HARD TO SEE HIS **TRUE ESSENCE!**

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I STARTED TO GET SUSPICIOUS, TOO... BUT HOW DID HE MANAGE TO FOOL THE ENTIRE CONGREGATION?

PHOBOS KNOWS MANY TRICKS, AND NOW, MORE THAN EVER, HE'S CAPABLE OF CLOUDING THE MINDS OF EVEN THE STRONGEST ELDERS!

I, MYSELF, WAVERED FOR A MOMENT! ALMOST ALL OF THE OTHER ELDERS ARE NOW AT HIS SERVICE!

I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE IT! HOW DID HE MANAGE TO GET SO FAR?

I THINK HE **TRANSFERRED** HIS RESIDUAL ENERGIES INTO THE REAL ENDARNO'S **BODY!**

IMPRISONED IN THE CELL, WITHIN PHOBOS'S **PHYSICAL SHELL**, IS THE FORMER KEEPER OF THE TOWER!

BUT WHY IS HE DOING ALL THIS?

THINK ABOUT IT! BEFORE BEING DEFEATED, HADN'T HE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU TO BE CROWNED AS QUEEN SO HE COULD DRAIN YOU OF ALL YOUR ENERGY?*

AND NOW HE'S TRYING TO DO THE SAME THING WITH ALL OF THE WORLDS PLACED UNDER THE WATCHFUL EYE OF KANDRAKAR, BEGINNING WITH METAMOOR!

*SEE W.I.T.C.H. #11 AND #12.

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NOW HE WANTS MORE! HE'S ASKING WILL FOR THE **HEART**, BUT TO HAVE IT, HE KNOWS SHE MUST GIVE IT TO HIM **WILLINGLY!**

AS FOR YOU, HE'S DEMANDING NOTHING LESS THAN THE **CROWN OF LIGHT!**

HE CAN'T BREAK THE SPELL THAT PROTECTS IT WITHIN ITS **CASE** IN MERIDIAN!

THAT'S TRUE, HE CAN'T! BUT YOU CAN ALWAYS GIVE HIM THE **KEY** NEEDED TO OPEN IT!

NO! I'LL NEVER DO IT! NEVER!

BUT SOONER OR LATER, IT WILL HAPPEN! THIS CELL WAS CREATED TO SLOWLY DRAIN YOU OF YOUR LIGHT...

...AND YOU KNOW PERFECTLY WELL THAT YOUR **POWER TO RESIST** IS FADING AWAY DAY AFTER DAY!

NO, DON'T LOSE HEART! I'M HERE NOW, AND THINGS WILL CHANGE! I'VE ALREADY BEGUN TO SEE TO THAT...

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"...AFTER REACHING **BASILIADE**, SWIMMING IN THE DEPTHS OF THE LAKE OF CRIMSON LIGHTS IN THE FORM OF A TURTLE..."

"I ENSURED THAT THE **FORMER ORACLE** REGAINED A PART OF HIS MEMORY!"*

BUT THAT ORACLE WAS CAST OUT OF KANDRAKAR! WHY DID YOU TRY TO CONTACT HIM?

*READ W.I.T.C.H. #42.

BECAUSE I **BELIEVE**, OR PERHAPS I **HOPE**, THAT HE CAN HELP US! HE WAS ONCE MY TRUSTED GUIDE!

I COULDN'T TELL HIM ANY MORE! PHOBOS WAS KEEPING AN EYE ON ME! HE HOPED THE ROLE OF THE TOWER'S KEEPER WOULD BE GIVEN TO VAAL...

...AND INSTEAD, HE'S **AFRAID** OF ME NOW! THE VERY FACT THAT I'M SPEAKING WITH YOU IS THE CAUSE OF GREAT APPREHENSION FOR YOUR BROTHER!

YOU MEAN HE KNOWS YOU'RE HERE RIGHT NOW?

DON'T WORRY! HE'S **ALMOST** THE ORACLE, SO HE KNOWS **ALMOST** EVERYTHING! BUT HE CAN'T READ OUR MINDS OR LISTEN IN ON OUR DISCUSSIONS YET!

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WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN YOU LEAVE THE TOWER OF MISTS?

I HAVE NO IDEA! I ONLY KNOW THAT WE HAVE VERY LITTLE TIME! LOOK ME IN THE EYES AND LISTEN TO ME, ELYON, LIGHT OF MERIDIAN...

...BECAUSE I NEED TO ASK YOU TO GIVE ME SOMETHING, AND VIRTUALLY EVERYTHING DEPENDS ON **YOUR ANSWER!**

A UNIVERSE AWAY, ON EARTH...

WELL? WE HAVEN'T HEARD YOUR **ANSWER** YET!

WILL! WE ASKED YOU A QUESTION!

DID YOU REALLY TELL **MATT** ABOUT ALL OF **US?**

ALL RIGHT... YEAH, I DID! HE KNOWS WE'RE THE **GUARDIANS OF KANDRAKAR!**

WELL, WHAT GREAT NEWS!

AH!

THIS MEANS TROUBLE! THIS MEANS SERIOUS TROUBLE!

Scan By LittleRaven

WHY SHOULD IT BE A PROBLEM? I DID WHAT I FELT WAS THE **RIGHT** THING AT THE **RIGHT** TIME AND FOR THE **RIGHT** REASON!

THE POINT IS THAT BY GETTING YOUR BOYFRIEND INVOLVED IN ALL OF THIS, YOU'VE ALSO JEOPARDIZED OUR **SAFETY!**

I'M SORRY TO SAY THIS, BUT I AGREE WITH CORNELIA!

BEFORE DOING ANYTHING, YOU SHOULD'VE TALKED IT OVER WITH US!

THAT'S WHY I'M HERE APOLOGIZING, TARANEE! BUT DON'T EXPECT ME TO BREAK DOWN AND CRY!

I'VE GOT A CLEAN CONSCIENCE AND I WAS HOPING IF I TOLD YOU THE TRUTH, YOU'D REACT DIFFERENTLY!

WHY AM I STILL HERE? WITH ONE LOOK, MATT **LIGHTENED** THE BURDEN OF THE HEART...

...BUT AS FOR YOU GUYS, SO FAR ALL YOU'VE DONE IS **MAKE IT WORSE!**

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MAYBE... MAYBE SHE'S RIGHT!

NO, IRMA, SHE'S DEAD WRONG! IF WE DID THE SAME THING SHE'S DONE, EVERYONE IN THE WORLD WOULD KNOW ABOUT US RIGHT NOW!

TARANEE WOULD GET NIGEL INVOLVED! HAY LIN WOULD FEEL LIKE SHE HAD TO TELL ERIC EVERYTHING, AND I... I...

YEEEAH? ARE YOU READY TO **OFFICIALLY** NAME HIM?

WHAT DID I SAY? I WAS JUST TRYING TO LIGHTEN THINGS UP!

THE FACT IS THAT NONE OF US CAN JUST GO AND DO WHATEVER WE WANT!

ESPECIALLY WILL! IF WE CAN'T **TRUST** HER, HOW CAN WE HOPE TO RESOLVE OUR MAJOR PROBLEMS?

OH, LISTEN TO THE **BACKUP BOSS!** EVER SINCE ENDARNO GAVE YOU THE POWER TO **STOP TIME**, YOU'VE BEEN ACTING HIGH AND MIGHTY!

CUT IT OUT!

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THE TRUTH HURTS, DOESN'T IT?

I DIDN'T ASK TO HAVE THIS HOURGLASS!

IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN, THE KEEPER OF THE HEART DIDN'T HAVE A **CHOICE** EITHER!

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ORUBE! ARE YOU SAYING YOU THINK WILL WAS RIGHT IN TELLING MATT EVERYTHING, TOO?

MY OPINION ISN'T IMPORTANT! THIS WHOLE DISCUSSION IS POINTLESS!

YOU MET UP HERE TO TALK ABOUT HOW TO **FREE ELYON!** INSTEAD, FOR THE NTH TIME, YOU'VE ENDED UP TALKING ABOUT SOMETHING DIFFERENT!

SO WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO NOW? KICK US OUT OF OUR OWN **HOUSE?**

OH, NO! I'M THE ONE WHO'S LEAVING! I NEED TO TAKE A WALK AND TO THINK THINGS OVER...

"...AND I SUGGEST YOU ALL DO THE SAME!"

Scan By LittleRaven

WELL?

WELL WHAT? TAKE A LOOK AT YOURSELF IN THE MIRROR! YOU'VE GOT A STUPID SMILE ON YOUR FACE!

COME ON, I SAW YOUR REACTION WHEN I ASKED YOU TO GIVE A NAME! YOU LIKE SOMEONE!

NO COMMENT!

HMM... LET'S SEE! HE'S A **RASTA** WHO LOVES **SURFING** AND LOOKS LIKE TARANEE...

DON'T BOTHER MOVING YOUR LIPS, HAY LIN. I CAN'T HEAR A WORD YOU'RE SAYING!

THEN I'LL SAY IT LOUDER! GIVE ME A ***P!*** GIVE ME AN ***E!*** GIVE ME A ***T-E-R!*** WHAT DOES IT SPELL? ***PETER!***

HOLD ON, I NEED SOMETHING FROM MY PURSE!

WHAT, A MEGAPHONE?

NOPE, A PAIR OF EARPLUGS!

YOU CAN'T FOOL ME, ALL RIGHT? I KNOW I'M RIGHT!

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SOUNDS LIKE YOU WANT TO CHANGE THE SUBJECT... I SAW ERIC AND I TOLD HIM I WON'T HAVE BRACES SOON!

WOW! THAT'S BIG NEWS!

AND THAT'S NOT ALL! HE SAID **HIS PARENTS** WERE COMING BACK TO TOWN!

HE WANTS TO INTRODUCE YOU TO HIS FAMILY? THEN THINGS ARE DEFINITELY GETTING SERIOUS!

OUT OF THIS WORLD! I HADN'T THOUGHT OF IT THAT WAY!

BECAUSE YOU DON'T THINK FROM A **BOY'S PERSPECTIVE!** IF YOU GIVE HIM A HAND, HE'LL TAKE AN ARM!

BUT I LIKE IT WHEN ERIC HOLDS MY HAND!

THAT'S BECAUSE YOU HOLD THE POWERS OF AIR, SO NATURALLY YOU'RE AN AIRHEAD! AS FOR ME...

AHA! I KNEW IT! AND YOU?

PETER'S TRIED TO GET IN TOUCH WITH ME A FEW TIMES LATELY AND I...

I PUT SKATING RIGHT AT THE TOP OF MY LIST OF COMMITMENTS! I'M PRACTICALLY NEVER AVAILABLE!

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PETER CALLS YOU AND YOU PLAY HARD TO GET? WHAT KIND OF ROMANTIC TACTIC IS THAT?

IT'S NOT A TACTIC! IT'S JUST A **SMOOTH MOVE!**

IT MIGHT BE, BUT IT'S SO SMOOTH I DON'T EVEN SEE THE POINT! IF LOVE FOLLOWS YOU, I SAY THERE'S NO NEED TO RUN...

"...YOU SHOULD STOP AND WAIT FOR IT TO CATCH UP WITH YOU!"

STOP! I'LL CATCH YOU ANYWAY!

HA! HA! JUST TRY!

HERE I COME!

HEEE!

CUT IT OUT! LEAVE ME ALONE, ALL RIGHT?

NO CHANCE! YOU'RE THE ONE WHO STARTED TICKLING ME, SO NOW...

N-NOW...

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NOW YOU GET UP AND GO STRAIGHT TO THE DOOR!

HUH?

DON'T GET ME WRONG! MOM AND DAD WENT OUT TO DINNER AND I'D RATHER NOT BE HERE!

BUT SINCE I **AM HERE**, I'M GOING BACK TO MY ROOM TO FINISH **DOWNLOADING** STUFF OFF THE INTERNET...

DLIN DLON

...THOUGH I WAS SHOUTING, YOU DIDN'T NOTICE THAT YOUR PIZZA'S HERE!

YOUR BRO'S RIGHT, TARANEE! WE'D BETTER ANSWER IT!

YEAH! WE SHOULD...

...SOONER OR LATER!

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THE PIZZA'S READY!

DOES EVERYONE SMELL THAT? FRESH OUT OF THE OVEN!

DAD, WHY IS MOM SHOUTING? WE CAN HEAR HER!

WE CAN, CHRISTOPHER, BUT **YOUR SISTER'S EARS** MUST STILL BE **BUSY!**

COMING! COMING!

WHAT A DRAG! I'VE GOT TO GO NOW. AND WE'VE ONLY BEEN TALKING FOR **FIFTY-SEVEN** MINUTES!

IF THAT'S A PROBLEM, WHY NOT MAKE IT AN EVEN **SIXTY?**

YOU KNOW WHAT? I REALLY LIKE CHATTING WITH YOU, IRMA!

ME TOO, **JOEL!**

BUT I'VE GOT THIS NAGGING DOUBT! YOU'RE NOT HANDING ME **A LINE**, ARE YOU?

*JUST A **PHONE LINE!** AT LEAST FOR NOW...*

Scan By LittleRaven

SAY, WHEN ARE THE TWO OF US GOING TO MEET UP?

HEY, NOT SO FAST! ARE YOU A MUSICIAN OR A TRACK RUNNER?

MATT SAID YOU'RE COMING TO SEE OUR **BAND** REHEARSE THIS WEDNESDAY!

I'M STOPPING BY, BUT ONLY BECAUSE WILL INVITED ME! BESIDES, I WANT TO TAKE A FEW PICTURES!

I'M A DETERMINED GUY! YOU SHOULD'VE REALIZED THAT BY NOW, SEEING HOW I MANAGED TO GET YOUR PHONE NUMBER!

COBALT BLUE

IS PHOTOGRAPHY YOUR HOBBY, OR ARE YOU JUST TRYING TO GET AN AUTOGRAPHED POSTER OF **COBALT BLUE**?

NEITHER! I'M A MEMBER OF AN ASSOCIATION AGAINST THE ABUSE OF MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS!

HA! HA! HA! THAT'S A GOOD ONE! REALLY!

PFFFT!

DAD! HOW CAN YOU TELL IF SOMEBODY'S IN LOVE?

THEY LET THEIR PIZZA GET COLD!

Scan By LittleRaven

ON THE OTHER SIDE OF HEATHERFIELD, AT THAT VERY MOMENT...

LOVE! IT SEEMS EVERYTHING ON THIS PLANET REVOLVES AROUND THAT EMOTION!

EVEN THE GUARDIANS ALWAYS PUT IT BEFORE EVERYTHING ELSE!

BEFORE HONOR! BEFORE BATTLE! SOMETIMES EVEN BEFORE FRIENDSHIP!

I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND EARTHLINGS! BUT THEN, WHY DON'T I **LEAVE?** WHAT IS IT I'M LOOKING FOR ON THIS PLANET?

HELLO THERE!

HMM...

IN CASE YOU HADN'T NOTICED, I'VE ALREADY GOT A **DOORMAT!**

UM... I'M... I'M **RAY FIELDESTEIN,** YOUR NEIGHBOR!

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I KNOW WHO YOU ARE, AND I REALIZE OUR RELATIONS HAVE NEVER BEEN... HOW CAN I SAY THIS... **IDYLLIC?***

*AS THOSE WHO'VE READ W.I.T.C.H. #29 KNOW.

ANYWAY, I'M A **COMPOSER**... I'VE BEEN OUT OF CIRCULATION FOR A WHILE, BUT A FRIEND OF MINE CONVINCED ME THAT...

YOU'RE WASTING YOUR BREATH. TRY TO MAKE BETTER USE OF IT!

ALL RIGHT! I'VE DECIDED TO HOLD A **CONCERT** AND I WAS JUST SLIPPING THIS UNDER YOUR DOOR! IT'S AN **INVITATION**, THAT'S ALL!

WHY WOULD YOU INVITE ME?

BECAUSE THERE'LL BE A BUNCH OF PEOPLE I DON'T KNOW AND DON'T CARE TO KNOW...

...AT LEAST THERE COULD BE **ONE** PERSON I'D LIKE TO GET TO KNOW BETTER!

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SEE YOU AROUND!

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"LIGHT, WHERE ARE YOU?"

"I CAN BARELY SEE YOU IN THE DIM FOLDS OF MY SHEETS..."

"...OR IN THE FLASHES OF HEADLIGHTS SHINING THROUGH THE WINDOW AND DARTING ACROSS THE CEILING!"

"YOU'VE LEFT ME ALL ALONE, MAKING MY THOUGHTS SO GLOOMY THAT I CAN BARELY TELL THEM FROM THE DARKNESS!"

"I'VE MADE UP MY MIND. I'M GOING TO SHUT MY EYES AND LET THE DARKNESS TAKE OVER! MAYBE THEN I CAN START TO DREAM."

"YES, I'LL DREAM ABOUT MATT AND I'LL TELL HIM EVERYTHING! EVEN WHAT I **CAN'T** TELL HIM, BECAUSE THE **WHOLE** TRUTH CAN HURT SO MUCH!"

Scan By LittleRaven

"I'LL DREAM ABOUT THE GIRLS AND THEY'LL **UNDERSTAND** ME WITHOUT CRITICIZING OR JUDGING ME, JUST THIS ONCE!"

"AND THEN I'LL DREAM OF THE HEART OF KANDRAKAR! I'LL TALK TO IT AND I'LL ENTRUST IT TO THE DARKNESS, WHICH WILL CARRY IT AWAY..."

*NO, WILL! THAT WOULDN'T BE A WISE DECISION! AFTER ALL, AS I'VE ALREADY TOLD ELYON, DARKNESS **DOESN'T EXIST!***

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BUT... AM I DREAMING?

MORE OR LESS! YOU SHOULD REALIZE BY NOW THAT DREAMS ARE AN EXCELLENT **MEANS OF COMMUNICATION!**

SO ARE YOU REAL OR JUST AN APPARITION?

THINK OF ME AS SOMETHING IN BETWEEN THE TWO! I'VE COME TO GIVE YOU SOMETHING! BUT IF YOU WANT TO SEE IT, YOU'LL HAVE TO OPEN YOUR EYES!

GO ON, WILL! DO AS I SAY! OPEN YOUR EYES!

B-BUT WHAT...?

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THIS LIGHT IS WONDERFUL!

I THINK SO, TOO!

IT'S ALSO VERY POWERFUL, STRONG ENOUGH TO REMOVE THE SHADOWS. ITS EFFECT IS AS **GREAT** AS THAT OF DARKNESS!

IF IT CONTINUES TO FILL YOUR ROOM, MANY WILL BELIEVE THAT IT'S ALREADY **DAYTIME!**

BUT IF IT'S SO POWERFUL, WHY CAN I LOOK AT IT? IT SHOULD AT LEAST **BLIND** ME!

A FINE OBSERVATION! THE FACT IS, WILL, YOU AREN'T LOOKING AT IT WITH YOUR EYES...

...BUT WITH YOUR HEART!

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I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND, YAN LIN!

NOW LET YOUR EYELIDS REST, AND YOU'LL SEE ME!

WELCOME BACK! AS YOU'VE IMAGINED, WHAT APPEARS BEFORE YOU IN YOUR DREAMS IS ONLY AN IMAGE OF ME!

ACTUALLY, I'M NOW IN THE TOWER OF MISTS WITH **ELYON!** AND I HAVE VERY LITTLE TIME TO EXPLAIN!

I'M LISTENING!

MEANWHILE, IN ANOTHER ROOM...

BUT I FEEL LIKE I'VE ONLY GOTTEN **HALF AN HOUR** OF SLEEP!

HMM... WHAT'S GOING ON? IT'S ALREADY MORNING?

YAAAWN!

OH WELL! TIME TO GET MOVING, SUSAN! YOU'VE GOT A LOT TO DO TODAY!

GRAT GRAT

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SHORTLY AFTERWARDS, IN WILL'S **DREAM**...

INCREDIBLE!

SO YOU'RE SAYING THAT PHOBOS ACTUALLY LURKS INSIDE ENDARNO'S BODY!

UNFORTUNATELY, ELYON AND I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT THIS IS TRUE!

ELYON! NOW THAT YOU'RE THE KEEPER OF THE TOWER, WHY DON'T YOU FREE HER?

I CAN VISIT THE PRISONERS AND LOOK OVER THEM, BUT I DO NOT HAVE THE POWER TO GRANT THEM THEIR FREEDOM!

ONLY THE ORACLE CAN DO THAT! AND HE'S WAITING FOR ME OUTSIDE THE PRISON, EXPECTING A FULL REPORT!

THEN THAT MEANS YOU'RE IN GRAVE DANGER!

WE ALL ARE, WILL! WE ALL ARE!

THE POINT IS THAT KANDRAKAR IS **NO LONGER A SAFE PLACE!** THIS IS WHY I'M TURNING TO YOU!

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WHAT YOU NOW FIND BEFORE YOU HERE, IN YOUR ROOM, IS THE **ESSENCE** OF THE **LIGHT OF MERIDIAN!** ELYON'S **VITAL ENERGY!**

IT'S THE ONLY KEY CAPABLE OF OPENING THE CASE PROTECTING HER MAGIC **CROWN!**

PRINCESS ELYON **YIELDED** IT TO ME, CONSUMING ALMOST ALL OF HER ENERGY! AND I'M HERE TO GIVE IT TO YOU!

BUT WHY?

BECAUSE THIS ESSENCE MUST NEVER END UP IN THE HANDS OF PHOBOS!

SEAL IT UP WITHIN THE HEART OF KANDRAKAR, WILL! HIDE IT! WHEN THE TIME HAS COME, YOU'LL KNOW HOW TO **USE IT!**

I CAN'T DO IT! IT'S HARD ENOUGH FOR ME TO BEAR THE HEART! YOU CAN'T PUT THIS RESPONSIBILITY ON ME!

I'M SORRY, BUT NO OTHER CREATURE IS CAPABLE OF BEARING IT!

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YOU MUST BE STRONG, BECAUSE **EVIL** HAS NEVER BEEN SO CLOSE AND IF PHOBOS MANAGES TO TAKE OVER THIS ESSENCE OF **LIGHT**...

...THEN DARKNESS WILL NO LONGER BE MERELY AN ILLUSION! IT WILL BECOME **REALITY!**

YAN LIIIN...

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QUICK! OPEN YOUR EYES!

BUT WHO... WHAT...?

"AND KEEP THEM OPEN FOR AS LONG AS POSSIBLE!"

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YAAAN LIIIN...

DO AS I SAY! OPEN YOUR EYES. WILL! OPEN THEM AT ONCE!

Scan By LittleRaven

WHAT'S GOING ON? WHOSE **VOICE** WAS THAT?

TJMP TJMP TJMP

Y-YEAH? W-WHO IS IT?

IT'S YOUR MOTHER, WILL! WHO ELSE WOULD IT BE?

IT'S TIME TO GET UP... ***YAWN***... THE SUN'S ALREADY SHINING!

THE SUN? **THE ESSENCE OF LIGHT!**

I HAVE TO **SEAL IT UP** WITHIN THE HEART OF KANDRAKAR BEFORE IT WAKES UP THE WHOLE CITY!

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SHA-WAAAM

NOTHING'S WORKING! THIS CUP OF COFFEE IS NOT EVEN WAKING ME UP AND...

HUH? WHAT'S GOING ON? WHY IS IT **DARK** AGAIN?

MAYBE I'M STILL ASLEEP! WHAT TIME IS IT ANYWAY?

1:59

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WHAAAT? TWO IN THE MORNING?!

POOR MOM! WHO KNOWS IF SHE'LL MANAGE TO GET BACK TO SLEEP...

ACTUALLY, I DON'T THINK I WILL EITHER! ESPECIALLY BECAUSE I **CAN'T** CLOSE MY EYES!

HAY LIN'S GRANDMA SOUNDED REALLY FRIGHTENED WHEN SHE SHOUTED I SHOULD OPEN THEM! AND THAT VOICE...

NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, I'M SURE I'VE **HEARD IT BEFORE!**

THAT WAS THE VOICE OF **PHOBOS!**

End of Part One

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WHAT? HOW COULD THIS HAVE HAPPENED?

AND I, ENDARNO, FUTURE ORACLE OF KANDRAKAR, SHARE THE PAIN OF THE ENTIRE CONGREGATION!

WE'RE ALL WITH YOU, TIBOR!

YES, WE'RE TOGETHER WITH YOU IN YOUR GRIEF. WE ALSO FIND IT TERRIBLE!

BECAUSE TODAY, A TERRIBLE EVENT HAS COME TO PASS IN THE ETERNAL FORTRESS...

...OUR SISTER, THE WISE ELDER YAN LIN, HAS BEEN **STRUCK BY EVIL!**

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TAKE HER TO THE **COSMOS OF ABEYANCE**, I BEG YOU!

IT WILL BE DONE, TIBOR! YET I DOUBT THAT THE REALM OF HEALING WILL HAVE ANY EFFECT ON HER!

SHE HAD TOO MUCH FAITH IN OTHERS, AND BECAUSE OF IT SHE'S BEEN VICIOUSLY ATTACKED!

THIS WILL SERVE AS A LESSON TO US ALL! YOU WERE THE ONES WHO WANTED TO ELECT HER AS KEEPER OF THE TOWER OF MISTS!

THINK, DEAR ELDERS! YOU ALLOWED YAN LIN TO VENTURE INTO THE CELL OF ELYON, THE REBEL...

...AND ELYON ATTACKED HER IN A DESPERATE ACT OF HATE, THUS USING UP HER LAST TRACES OF ENERGY!

IF YOU HAD ELECTED VAAL, NONE OF THIS WOULD HAVE HAPPENED!

YES, BEAR THIS IN MIND BECAUSE AT THIS SAD MOMENT, WE MUST DECIDE ON NEW, PRESSING ISSUES...

Scan By Littlehaven

DARKNESS, YAN LIN! CAN YOU FEEL THE DARKNESS?

IT'S SURROUNDING YOU, AND SOON IT WILL ENGULF YOU COMPLETELY!

IT WAS EASY TO MAKE THE CONGREGATION BELIEVE THAT ELYON WAS THE ONE WHO ATTACKED YOU...

...BUT I WOULD'VE LOVED TO TELL THEM THAT I, **ALONE**, WAS BEHIND YOUR DEFEAT!

"AFTER I SURPRISED YOU IN ELYON'S CELL, WHERE I FOUND YOU BESIDE MY DEAR **LIL' SIS**, WHO WAS UNCONSCIOUS..."

"...I UNDERSTOOD THAT YOUR BODY WAS IN KANDRAKAR, YET YOUR MIND WAS FLOATING IN SOME DISTANT **DREAM!**"

Scan By LittleRaven

"BY USING MY POWERS, I INTERCEPTED YOUR MENTAL ESSENCE AND I FOUND OUT THAT YOU HAD ENTERED..."

"...WILL'S DREAMS!"

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU AND THE KEEPER OF THE HEART SAID TO EACH OTHER! YOU'D PROBABLY SPOKEN WITH ELYON...

...AND WHEN YOU REALIZED THE TRUTH, YOU DECIDED TO **WARN W.I.T.C.H. ABOUT ME!**

"NEVERTHELESS, I DISCOVERED YOUR PLAN **IN TIME** AND I MADE SURE THAT YOU WERE SILENCED..."

"...FOREVER!"

Scan By LittleRaven

ALL I HAVE TO DO NOW IS DISCOVER HOW MUCH WILL KNOWS ABOUT THIS!

WISE ENDARNO...

YES? WHO DISTURBS ME IN THIS MOMENT OF PAINFUL MEDITATION?

WE UNDERSTAND AND SHARE YOUR FEELINGS!

YET TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE, AND BEFORE YOU ARE TO BATHE IN THE FOUNTAIN OF TRANQUILITY...

...YOU MUST UNDERGO A BRIEF PERIOD OF... SHALL WE SAY... **MAGICAL FASTING!**

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THAT IS, YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO USE YOUR POWERS, AND YOU WILL REMAIN WITHIN THE **HALL OF NOTHINGNESS...**

...WHERE, ISOLATED FROM THE OTHERS, YOU MAY MEDITATE ON THE NEW LIFE THAT AWAITS YOU!

SO BE IT! IF THAT IS THE WISH OF THE ELDERS...

CURSES!

Scan By LittleRaven

I'D FORGOTTEN HOW LONG AND BORING THESE INITIATION CEREMONIES COULD GET!

I'LL NEED TO BE PATIENT AND POSTPONE DEALING WITH WILL! I CAN'T FALTER! NOT NOW, OF ALL TIMES!

YET BEFORE ISOLATING MYSELF IN THE HALL OF NOTHINGNESS, I'LL MENTALLY CONTACT CEDRIC ON EARTH...

"...AND I'LL ASK HIM TO KEEP AN EYE ON THE GUARDIANS!"

THAT'S ENOUGH! BE QUIET! ALL OF YOU!

CORNELIA, STOP **ATTACKING** WILL!

AND YOU, WILL, STOP PLAYING THE **VICTIM** FOR A MOMENT!

AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, IRMA...

...STOP EATING ALL THE FRIES!

HEEEY! WHAT'S THE PROBLEM? THEY'RE SOGGY ANYWAY...

Scan By LittleRaven

STOP ACTING LIKE THE HEAD OF THE HOUSEHOLD! THIS IS **MY** PLACE TOO, YOU KNOW!

I'VE NEVER QUESTIONED THAT, BUT YOU'RE EATING **MY** DINNER!

ORUBE'S RIGHT TO TELL US OFF! WE'VE DONE IT AGAIN! WE'VE ALL MET UP TO DO NOTHING BUT **ARGUE**...

...WHEN INSTEAD, WE SHOULD BE **DOING SOMETHING**, IN LIGHT OF WHAT WILL JUST TOLD US!

YEAH! **LIGHT!**

THEN IT'S TRUE! YOU HOLD THE **ESSENCE** OF THE LIGHT OF MERIDIAN!

YEAH! YAN LIN LEFT IT WITH ME JUST BEFORE PHOBOS'S VOICE INTERRUPTED US!

BUT THEN, WHAT HAPPENED TO MY GRANDMA?

I... I DON'T KNOW!

I'M SORRY!

Scan By LittleRaven

WE'VE GOT TO GO TO KANDRAKAR! **NOW!** RIGHT AWAY!

YES, I AGREE! BUT WE NEED A CLEAR PLAN!

ORUBE'S RIGHT! WE NEED TO BE CAREFUL! AND WE ABSOLUTELY HAVE TO PLAN THINGS OUT!

IF IT'S TRUE THAT PHOBOS IS HIDING IN ENDARNO'S BODY, WE CAN'T FACE HIM ALL **ON OUR OWN!**

BUT WE'RE AT AN ADVANTAGE! WE'VE GOT SOMETHING HE **WANTS!**

YEAH! HE WANTS THE CROWN OF LIGHT, BUT HE DOESN'T KNOW I'M THE ONLY ONE WITH THE KEY TO GETTING IT!

HOW CAN YOU BE SO SURE HE DOESN'T KNOW?

HE WOULD'VE SUMMONED ME ALREADY, TO FORCE ME TO GIVE HIM THE ESSENCE OF LIGHT...

...AND MAYBE EVEN TO ACCUSE ME, IN FRONT OF THE CONGREGATION, OF HAVING SCHEMED WITH ELYON BEHIND HIS BACK!

Scan By LittleRaven

NO! PHOBOS HAS NO IDEA WHAT'S GOING ON! HE'S CONVINCED THAT ELYON WILL HAND OVER THE ESSENCE...

...AFTER HE **DRAINS AWAY** ALL HER POWER!

THAT'S ANOTHER REASON WHY WE SHOULD ACT FAST! WE'VE GOT TO FREE HER BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!

ORUBE! DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA HOW WE CAN GET INTO THE TOWER OF MISTS?

ONLY THE ORACLE CAN ENTER THE PRISON! OR THE KEEPER, BY USING THE ARMBAND KEY!

BUT I REMEMBER ONE DAY WHEN **LUBA** WAS TRAINING ME IN MEDITATION AND COMBAT...

"...SHE POINTED OUT THE TOWER, TELLING ME THAT ONLY VERY FEW ELDERS KNEW OF THE EXISTENCE..."

"...OF ONE OR EVEN MORE **SECRET DOORS**, USED IN CASE OF AN EVACUATION!"

Scan By LittleRaven

FANTASTIC! THAT WAY, WE CAN GET TO ELYON RIGHT UNDER PHOBOS'S NOSE!

NOT SO FAST! LIKE I SAID, THERE ARE VERY FEW PEOPLE WHO KNOW ABOUT THIS SECRET!

THE ORACLE!

THE OLD ORACLE! WHO, IF NOT HIM, COULD KNOW WHERE THOSE PASSAGEWAYS ARE LOCATED?

BUT MR. BIGWIG IS IN **BASILIADE** RIGHT NOW!

YEAH! PLUS, HE'S LIVING ANOTHER LIFE NOW! HE MIGHT NOT EVEN BE WILLING TO HELP US!

BESIDES, WE CAN'T GO TO THAT WORLD WITHOUT CROSSING THROUGH KANDRAKAR FIRST!

MAYBE YOU CAN'T...

...BUT I CAN! I CAME FROM THERE, AND I CAN GO BACK THERE!

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Scan By LittleRaven

AT THAT VERY MOMENT, ON THE OTHER SIDE OF HEATHERFIELD...

NOTHING HERE EITHER! I'VE COMBED THE WHOLE CITY, BUT THERE'S NO TRACE OF THE GIRLS!

AT THIS POINT, ALL THAT'S LEFT IS MRS. RUDOLPH'S HOUSE!

HMM! JUST A MOMENT, CEDRIC! LOOK WHO WE HAVE HERE...

WELL, MATT? ARE YOU READY? THE COURT BEHIND GOLDEN IS FREE!

IS IT? WELL, GREAT!

CAREFUL! YOU CAN'T PLAY WITH A LONG FACE! YOU'D TRIP OVER YOUR CHIN!

SORRY, PETER! IT'S BEEN A LOUSY DAY!

ROMANTIC PROBLEMS? WELL, YOU'RE NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO'S GOT THEM!

COME ON! ARE YOU TELLING ME THERE'S SOMETHING THAT CAN STEAL YOUR ATTENTION AWAY FROM YOUR SURFBOARD? I'M NOT BUYING IT!

Scan By LittleRaven

IF YOU REALLY WANT TO KNOW, THERE'S A GIRL I'M INTERESTED IN. THE PROBLEM IS SHE DOESN'T SEEM INTERESTED IN ME!

WHEN I CALL HER, SHE'S NEVER THERE! OR SHE'S STUDYING, SKATING, OR...

THEN SHE **DOES LIKE YOU!**

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

SHE'S JUST PLAYING HARD TO GET! IT'S A TACTIC! A SMOOTH MOVE!

LISTEN TO THE EXPERT! DON'T TELL ME YOU KNOW HOW TO READ GIRLS' MINDS!

WELL, I CAN GUARANTEE YOU THAT IT'S NOT ALWAYS AN ADVANTAGE TO KNOW WHAT THEY'RE THINKING!

I MEAN, WHEN THEY OPEN UP THEIR **HEART** TO YOU, YOU'VE GOT TO BE PREPARED TO BEAR THE **BURDEN** OF IT!

HOW AMUSING! THE BOY KNOWS ABOUT WILL, BUT HE MIGHT NOT FEEL CAPABLE OF PLAYING THE GAME!

Scan By LittleRaven

BAH! I'D LIKE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SITUATION, BUT MAYBE SOME OTHER TIME...

TODAY, MY LORD AND MASTER HAS GIVEN ME ANOTHER TASK!

WHIIIIIIIN

HERE I AM, AT RUDOLPH'S HOUSE!

AND THERE ARE THE GUARDIANS! THEY MUST'VE JUST FINISHED HOLDING A MEETING!

I LOATHE THIS SORT OF TASK! IT'S SOMETHING FOR A SIMPLE **ERRAND BOY**, NOT FOR A GENIUS LIKE ME!

PHOBOS CLEARLY DOESN'T REMEMBER THAT I'M WORTH FAR, FAR MORE THAN THIS!

Scan By LittleRaven

EVERYTHING ALL RIGHT?

YEAH! I JUST FORGOT TO SAY GOODBYE!

WELL, BYE **REBECCA!** SEE YOU TOMORROW, AND DON'T BOTHER GETTING UP! I'LL LOCK THE DOOR!

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WHAT, YOU WANT ME TO CONTACT YOU MENTALLY? WHAT'S GOING ON, WILL?

ORUBE'S NEIGHBOR?

MAYBE! IT WOULDN'T BE THE FIRST TIME THAT GUY SPIED ON US!

I DON'T KNOW, TARANEE! I HAVE A FEELING WE'RE BEING WATCHED!

Scan By LittleRaven

CAN WE TALK NOW?

I THINK SO! WE'RE FAR ENOUGH!

DO YOU THINK ORUBE'S IN BASILIADE ALREADY?

I DON'T KNOW! HOW LONG COULD AN ASTRAL TRIP FROM ONE WORLD TO THE OTHER LAST? AN INSTANT? AN ETERNITY?

WHAT I WANT TO KNOW IS WHY SHE NEVER TOLD US SHE COULD GO BACK TO HER OWN WORLD!

I MEAN... SHE'S BEEN HERE WITH US ON EARTH ALL THIS TIME! BUT WHY?

MAYBE SHE DIDN'T HAVE ANY REASON TO GO BACK!

AFTER ALL, BASILIADE CAN'T BE A VERY HOSPITABLE PLACE!

YEAH! I CAN'T IMAGINE THERE ARE MANY CHANCES OF **MAKING FRIENDS** OVER THERE!

AT THIS POINT, I JUST HOPE SHE GETS BACK SAFE AND SOUND!

Scan By LittleRaven

DARKNESS, MASTER HIMERISH! CAN YOU FEEL THE DARKNESS?

IT IS SURROUNDING YOU, AND VERY SOON IT WILL ENGULF YOU!

BUT THIS IS A **GOOD** DARKNESS! A SPECIAL DARKNESS! GENERATED BY AN EXTREMELY RARE **DOUBLE ECLIPSE...**

...AND WHEN IT IS COMPLETE, YOU TOO WILL HAVE COMPLETED YOUR **INITIATION RITES...**

...AND YOU WILL BE A NEW MAN! A **SUPREME WARRIOR!**

Scan By LittleRaven

THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE FOR ME, **YARR!** NOW THAT I'VE FOUND MY NAME AGAIN, A NEW LIFE AWAITS ME!

AND YET YOU DO NOT LOOK HAPPY!

WHY DO YOU STARE AT THE HORIZON? WHAT DO YOU SEE DOWN THERE, IN THE SHADOWS?

MY PAST, PERHAPS!

YOU STILL HAVEN'T TOLD ME WHAT YOU DID ALL THOSE YEARS, WHEN YOU WERE FAR FROM BASILIADE!

ONE DAY, DEAR FRIEND, I WILL FIND THE STRENGTH TO TELL YOU! BUT FOR NOW, LET US LOOK TOWARDS THE FUTURE...

"...AND LEAVE THE HORIZON BEHIND US!"

I'M HERE! THERE'S THE CITY! AND THE GARDEN OF TWO SUNS!

Scan By LittleRaven

IT SEEMS THAT THE FORMER ORACLE IS AN EXCELLENT WARRIOR! HIS FAME HAS SPREAD QUICKLY THROUGH BASILIADE!

WHEN I ASKED AROUND, IT WASN'T DIFFICULT TO FIND OUT THAT HIS NAME IS HIMERISH...

...AND THAT HE'S ABOUT TO BE INITIATED AS A SUPREME WARRIOR!

THE RITUAL WILL BE LONG, AND IT WILL ONLY FINISH WHEN THE DOUBLE SOLAR ECLIPSE HAS COME TO AN END!

THE PROBLEM IS, I CAN'T WAIT THAT LONG!

HALT!

Scan By LittleRaven

WHO ARE YOU? WHAT DO YOU WANT?

MY NAME IS ORUBE AND I ASK TO BE ALLOWED INTO THE GARDEN!

IMPOSSIBLE! THE INITIATION RITUAL HAS BEGUN! AS YOU CAN SEE, OUR TWO SUNS ARE NOW ALIGNED...

...AND THEY'RE GENERATING THE LEGENDARY **CRIMSON DAWN**, CHANNELING IT ONTO THE PEAK OF THE PYRAMID!

WE WILL OPEN THE DOORS ONLY WHEN THE DAWN HAS PASSED!

BUT I HAVE TO GO IN IMMEDIATELY!

THEN I HAVEN'T MADE MYSELF CLEAR! NO ONE CAN INTERRUPT THE INITIATION RITES OF A SUPREME WARRIOR!

PARTICULARLY AN ARROGANT **STRANGER** LIKE YOURSELF!

Scan By LittleRaven

I'M NOT A STRANGER! I WAS BORN HERE AND I SPENT MY CHILDHOOD IN A GARDEN SIMILAR TO THIS ONE!

GOOD!

THEN YOU KNOW YOU HAVE NO CHANCE OF GETTING PAST ALL OF US!

I SAID I GREW UP IN BASILIADE, BUT I UNDERWENT MY REAL TRAINING SOMEWHERE ELSE!

IN **KANDRAKAR**, TO BE EXACT!

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Y-YOU'RE LYING! YOU CAN'T BE A **CHOSEN ONE!**

THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY FOR YOU TO FIND OUT IF I'M TELLING THE TRUTH! BUT BEFORE FIGHTING ME, LET ME SAY SOMETHING...

...IT'S GOOD TO BE HOME!

Scan By LittleRaven

THE TIME HAS COME...

...THE TIME TO BE ENGULFED IN THE ESSENCE OF THE TWO SUNS!

THE ETERNAL SUM OF OPPOSITES! THE ULTIMATE SYNTHESIS OF LIGHT AND DARKNESS!

OF GOOD AND EVIL!

Scan By LittleRaven

THE TIME HAS COME FOR YOU TO UNDERSTAND THAT LIGHT IS NOT ALWAYS GOOD...

...AND THAT DARKNESS IS NOT ALWAYS EVIL!

WE ARE ALL, EACH ONE OF US, PART OF A REALM OF NOTHING AND EVERYTHING!

A SINGLE, IMMENSE...

...CRIMSON DAWN!

Scan By LittleRaven

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PANT! PANT!

KILUBI! IH-SHUI!

YES, MASTER!

WHO ARE YOU? HOW DARE YOU INTERRUPT THE RITUAL!

MY NAME... PANT!... MY NAME IS...

Scan By LittleRaven

WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES... COUGH... DOES MY NAME MAKE? OR YOURS? DOES YOUR NAME MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE AT ALL?

BUT HIS DOES! YES, HIS MEANS SOMETHING! IT HAS A VERY SPECIFIC FUNCTION!

IT IS CAPABLE OF GIVING HIM A NEW OUTER APPEARANCE! A NEW LIFE! BUT I WONDER...

...CAN AN ORACLE OF KANDRAKAR RETURN TO HAVING JUST ANY NAME AND ANY LIFE?

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MASTER... THIS MEANS... THAT YOU'RE... YOU'RE...

I BEG YOU TO SPARE THIS VALOROUS WARRIOR, YARR! ALLOW HER TO STAY!

AND TO REST!

Scan By LittleRaven

THAT VERY MOMENT, AT KANDRAKAR...

WE APOLOGIZE, ENDARNO! WE DID NOT WISH TO INTERRUPT YOUR MEDITATION...

BUT THE WHITE HERALD THAT HAS BEEN MISSING FOR SOME TIME NOW HAS RETURNED* WITH A PERSONAL MESSAGE FOR YOU!

*READ W.I.T.C.H. #39.

YOU'RE RIGHT ON TIME, **CEDRIC!** THANKS TO YOU, I CAN NOW TAKE A BREAK FROM MY EXHAUSTING PREPARATION CEREMONY!

AND NOW, GIVE ME THE NEWS! WHAT ARE THE GUARDIANS DOING? ARE THEY PLOTTING AGAINST ME?

ACTUALLY, I'VE DISCOVERED VERY LITTLE! THEY'RE JUST LIVING THEIR EVERYDAY LIVES!

Scan By LittleRaven

YOU DISAPPOINT ME, CEDRIC! YOU'VE STOPPED AT THE SURFACE OF THINGS, PROVING YOUR **INEPTITUDE!**

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OLD YAN LIN SPOKE WITH WILL BEFORE I SENT HER INTO OBLIVION! DO YOU REALIZE WHAT THAT MEANS?

DO YOU?

AAAAH!

I MUST FIND OUT WHAT THAT LITTLE GIRL KNOWS! I MUST STUDY HER EVERY MISERABLE, DEADLY THOUGHT!

BECAUSE NOW THAT I AM ONE STEP AWAY FROM OBTAINING IT, NOTHING CAN STOP ME FROM ACQUIRING **TRUE POWER!** NOTHING...

...AND NO ONE!

Scan By LittleRaven

"YAN LIN IS MOST LIKELY IN MORTAL DANGER..."

"ELYON WILL SOON GIVE UP STRUGGLING..."

"PHOBOS IS SHOWING HIS TRUE, EVIL FACE..."

...HOW COULD ALL OF THIS HAVE HAPPENED? HOW COULD I HAVE BEEN SO BLIND?

IT WASN'T YOUR FAULT! YOU DID WHAT YOU FELT WAS RIGHT, ORACLE!

DON'T CALL ME THAT! I DON'T DESERVE SUCH A TITLE!

BUT PHOBOS CERTAINLY DESERVES IT LESS THAN YOU!

Scan By LittleRaven

YOU'RE RIGHT, ORUBE, BUT HOW CAN I HELP YOU? I NO LONGER HAVE MY POWERS!

ALL THE GUARDIANS AND I NEED IS YOUR KNOWLEDGE!

BUT I CAN'T EVEN GO THERE WITH YOU! YOU CAN RETURN HOME WHENEVER YOU WISH, BUT I...

...I NO LONGER HAVE THE POWER TO TRAVEL **BETWEEN WORLDS!**

BUT PERHAPS, MASTER, YOU CAN REGAIN THAT POWER!

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WHEN THE RITUAL HAS BEEN COMPLETED, EVERY WARRIOR HAS THE RIGHT TO ASK THE CRIMSON DAWN FOR AN **ANCESTRAL GIFT!**

THE DAWN IS CAPABLE OF EXPLORING THE DEPTHS OF ONE'S HEART, BRINGING BACK AN ABILITY THAT HAS BEEN LOST! SOMETHING PERSONAL AND TREASURED!

Scan By LittleRaven

YES! YOU'RE RIGHT! NOW I UNDERSTAND. NOW I CAN **SENSE IT!**

COME WITH ME, ORUBE! RIGHT NOW, TIME IS MORE PRECIOUS THAN WORDS!

MASTER...

YARR?

I... GOODBYE, MY LORD!

NOT GOODBYE, MY FRIEND! WE'LL MEET AGAIN! NO MATTER WHAT DISTANCE SEPARATES US, WE'LL BE TOGETHER!

INTO GOOD AND EVIL! INTO EVERYTHING AND NOTHINGNESS! INTO DARKNESS...

...AND LIGHT!

End of Episode.

Scan By LittleRaven